

# TALES OF THE UNUSUAL

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LURKER: PART 2



WHENEVER  
THE LURKER HARMS  
SOMEONE, EVERYONE  
ONLY PAYS ATTENTION  
TO THE VICTIMS.

SO IT'S HARD TO  
FIGURE OUT WHERE  
THE LURKER IS  
HIDING.

PLUS HYUNA HAS  
ONLY BEEN HALF CONSCIOUS  
BECAUSE OF THE LURKER'S  
INFLUENCE...

SO SHE  
WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN  
AWARE OF WHERE  
THE LURKER IS...

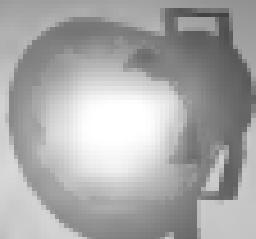
THIS IS THE  
FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN  
A LURKER ATTACHED  
TO A SHADOW.

FIRST,  
I'M GOING TO  
NEED TO RUN SOME  
TESTS..



SHADOWS  
HAVE NO CHOICE  
BUT TO BE AFFECTED  
BY LIGHT.

FLASH



THE PLACE  
WHERE THE LURKER  
IS HIDING IS CALLED  
A 'MEDIUM'

THE LURKER'S  
INFLUENCE VARIES  
DEPENDING ON THE STATE  
OF THE MEDIUM.



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A black and white illustration of a man with dark hair and a mustache, wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt. He is looking upwards and slightly to his right at a bright, circular light source. The light source has a small rectangular frame at the top. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

THE LURKER  
MAY BE POWERFUL,  
BUT ULTIMATELY  
IT'S A PARASITIC  
CREATURE.

IT DEFINITELY  
SEEMS TO BE STRONGLY  
AFFECTED BY LIGHT BECAUSE  
OF THE PROPERTIES OF  
THE SHADOW.

WITH THIS,  
I THINK WE'LL BE ABLE  
TO RESTRAIN ITS POWER  
AND CATCH IT.

IN ITS CURRENT STATE,  
ITS POWER WILL BE FORCED  
TO DROP BELOW THE LEVEL  
OF A CLASS C LURKER.

EVEN IF IT CAN  
ATTACK, IT WILL HURT  
ABOUT AS MUCH AS  
GETTING HIT WITH A  
COTTON SWAB.

STEP



THE LURKER  
CAN'T USE ITS  
POWER EVEN AT  
THIS DISTANCE.



BUT IF IT REMAINS  
IN THIS STATE FOR LONG  
ENOUGH, THE LURKER WILL GET  
ANGRY AND COULD BECOME  
THREATENING...

SO WE HAD BETTER  
START THE BANISHING  
RITUAL NOW WHILE  
IT'S STUNNED.

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KRRRR



WHAT  
THE..?

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CHOKE

AGH!!

AAAAHHH!!

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

UGH!!

SIR!!





UHH...

ARE YOU  
AWAKE?

I LET MY  
GUARD DOWN.

HE SEEMS  
MORE LIKE CLASS A  
THAN CLASS B.

T THEN  
WHAT SHOULD  
WE DO?

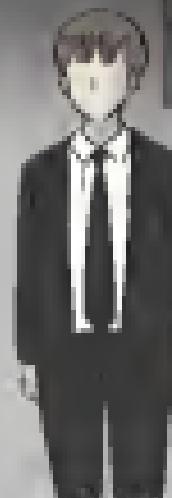
FOR NOW,  
I HAD BETTER  
REPORT TO MY  
SUPERIORS.

AND YOU  
CAN'T WATCH NEXT  
TIME SINCE IT'S  
DANGEROUS.

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UHHUH..





NO ONE...  
CAN SAVE ME...



WHAT.. SHOULD  
I DO NOW?

...?





THERE'S  
STILL ALMOST  
NOTHING KNOWN  
ABOUT SHADOW  
LURKERS.

THIS MAY BE  
A BIT OF A TOUGH  
OPPONENT FOR YOU  
TO HANDLE ON  
YOUR OWN.

THIS IS  
MINWOO SONG.  
A CLASS A EXORCIST WHO  
JUST RETURNED FROM  
AN ASSIGNMENT.

HE'S GOT  
A LOT OF OVERSEAS  
EXPERIENCE AND IS  
VERY SKILLED.



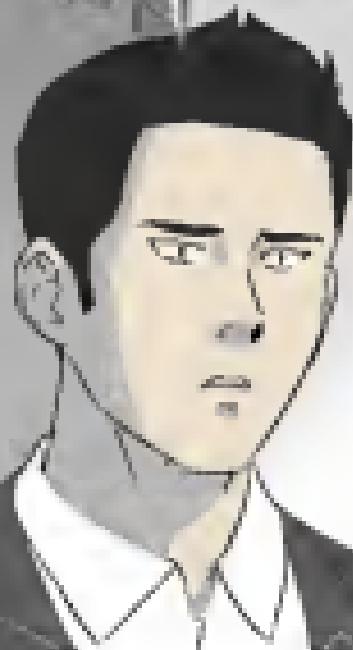
HI THERE.

I'VE HEARD A LOT  
ABOUT YOU. YOU'VE GOT  
A CLASS B PROMOTION  
COMING UP, RIGHT?

WITH MY  
EXPERIENCE,  
I THINK I'LL BE ABLE  
TO HELP YOU.

GREAT,  
I APPRECIATE IT.

BUT... DO YOU  
HAVE SOME KIND OF  
PLAN FOR BANISHING A  
SHADOW LURKER?



I JUST HEARD  
SOME INFORMATION ABOUT  
SHADOW LURKERS WHILE  
I WAS IN FRANCE.

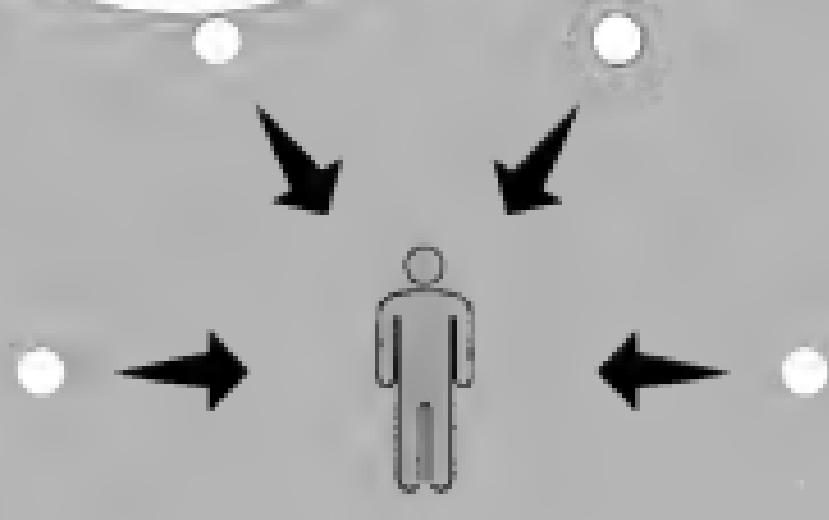


LURKERS WHICH ARE ATTACHED TO A MEDIUM WITH AN UNCLEARLY DEFINED FORM ARE POWERFUL AND FLEXIBLE.

APPROACHING IT CLUMSILY WILL ONLY MAKE THE LURKER STRONGER.

THAT'S WHY WE NEED A REALLY POWERFUL STRIKE.

WE'LL FIRE  
LIGHT AT IT FROM  
SEVERAL DIRECTIONS TO  
SPLIT THE SHADOW INTO  
SEVERAL PIECES AND  
MAKE IT LIGHTER.



THE LURKER  
WILL BE TEMPORARILY  
CONFUSED BY THE  
SUDDEN CHANGE IN THE  
MEDIUM, SO IT WILL  
LOSE POWER.



VERY GOOD.  
EXACTLY WHAT I EXPECTED  
FROM SOMEONE WHO'S  
WORKED ABROAD.

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LEAVE IT  
TO ME.

I'LL DEAL  
WITH IT FIRST THING  
TOMORROW.

To be continued..



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